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Cecil V. Crowson, Jr., Clerk Tennessee Court of Appeals 100 Supreme Court Building 401 Seventh Avenue North Nashville, TN 37219

> BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. v. The Tennessee Regulatory Authority, Re: No. 2001-02837-COA-R19-CV

Dear Mr. Crowson:

Enclosed please find the original and 4 copies of the Status Report of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. for filing in the above-referenced action. Also enclosed is an additional copy of the Status Report, which I would appreciate your stamping as "filed," and returning to me by way of our courier.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours, P. Mannes

R. Dale Grimes

RDG/gci **Enclosures**

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IN THE COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE STATE OF TENNESSEE MIDDLE SECTION AT NASHVILLE

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.,	
Petitioner,	
	No. 2001-02837-COA-R12-CV
THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY,	
Respondent.	TRA Docket No. 01-00513

STATUS REPORT OF BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Pursuant to this Court's Order filed December 5, 2001, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") respectfully submits this Report as to the status of the federal action styled BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., Plaintiff, v. MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc., et al., Defendants, No. 3-01-1438, in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee (the "Federal Action").

BellSouth advises the Court that the Federal Action is still pending. No action has been taken since the Defendants filed their Answers in November 2001. The parties have not proceeded further in anticipation of rulings in significant cases that were pending before the United States Supreme Court and the District of Columbia Circuit regarding issues in the Federal Action.

On May 20, 2002, the United States Supreme Court released its opinion in Verizon Md., Inc. v. Public Service Comm'n of Md., 2002 U.S. LEXIS 3787, 70

U.S.L.W. 4432 (May 20, 2002), which addresses jurisdictional and Eleventh Amendment Immunity issues relevant to this case and the Federal Action. On May 3, 2002, the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit issued its opinion in WorldCom, Inc. v. Federal Communications Commission, 288 F.3d 429 (D.C. Cir. 2002), which addresses other issues related to the substance of the Federal Action. BellSouth is reviewing those decisions to determine their impact on this appeal.

DATED: June 5, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and exact copy of the foregoing has been served on the following person(s), via the method(s) indicated, on June 5, 2002:

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